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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - CANADIAN USER CHARGES

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L. WE DISCUSSED CANADIAN USER CHARGE ISSUE WITH SUNDERLUND, ASST-SECRETARY, DEPT OF TRADE, AND EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT CANADIAN CHARGES ARE AT PRESENT DISPUTED BY U. S. CARRIERS. SUNDERLUND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR OUR CALL AND SAID INFORMATION WAS TIMELY INASMUCH AS HE WOULD BE CHAIRING A MEETING OF U. K. OFFICIALS IN NEXT FEW DAYS TO REVIEW STATE OF UK-CANADIAN TALKS REGARDING COLLECTION OF USER CHARGES AND TO DISCUSS CANADIAN REPLIES TO SEVERAL QUESTIONS U. K. HAD LEFT WITH THEM AT END OF LAST ROUND OF TALKS.

2. IT IS NOT CLEAR FROM REFTEL WHETHER DISPUTED CHARGES ARE IMPOSED FOR TRANSITING CANADIAN AIRSPACE OR FOR TRANS-SITING OCEANIC CONTROL AREA ADMINISTERED BY GOC ON BEHALF OF ICAO. SUNDERLUND SAID NO DECISION YET TAKEN ON WHETHER BRITISH WILL AGREE TO COLLECT CANADIAN CHARGES BUT IF THEY DO, THEY ARE UNLIKELY TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR COLLECTING CHARGES LEVIED FOR OVERFLYING CANADIAN

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AIRSPACE. DISCUSSIONS, AT LEAST THUS FAR, HAVE BEEN

DIRECTED TO THE POSSIBILITY OF BRITISH COLLECTION OF
CANADIAN CHARGES ON FLIGHTS TRANSITING THE CANADIAN-
ADMINISTERED NORTH ATLANTIC CONTROL AREA. WOULD APPRE-
CIATE CLARIFICATION AS TO NATURE OF CANADIAN CHARGES.
IF THEY RELATE TO OCEANIC CONTROL AREA, WOULD BE USEFUL
FOR US TO KNOW WHY U. S. AIRLINES PAY SHANWICK CHARGES
BUT OBJECT TO SIMILAR CHARGES BY CANADIANS FOR TRANSIT
OF WESTERN OCEANIC CONTROL AREA.

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